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MIDDLE CREEK PROJECT APPROVED

On April 6, the Governor's Office released the following information:

Governor William W. Scranton today approved purchase of the proposed Middle Creek Waterfowl Project area in Lebanon and Lancaster Counties by the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

The area, comprising an estimated 2,900 acres of creek bottom lands, woodlands and farmland, will be purchased with Project 70 funds and developed as a multi-purpose recreational site.

The Governor said that "although the primary purpose of the new recreational site will be development of waterfowl production and controlled harvest facilities similar to those existing at Pymatuning in the Western part of the State, it also will include other recreational opportunities.

"These include small game hunting areas, day-use picnic sites and parking facilities, vantage points for the observation of wildlife as well as for other types of nature study.

"Following several weeks of study, and upon receiving assurance that the Game Commission plans to open the entire area to the widest possible use by all persons interested in recreational values in the great outdoors, I am most happy to approve this project."

GOLDEN OUT OF HOSPITAL

Executive Director M. J. Golden has returned to Harrisburg from Temple Hospital in Philadelphia following a third, but minor, operation. According to reports, Mr. Golden looks good and is responding to treatment.

STUDENTS ACCEPT SCHOOL ROUTINE

After several weeks of training at the Commission's school near Brockway, 24 student officers are reported to have settled into a pleasant routine.

After one week of training, Dep. GP Bennie G. Naunczek of Berwick decided to drop out of the school due to personal reasons.

CIA-SUPERVISOR MEETING PLANNED

The first CIA-Supervisor's Meeting since the formation of the new I & E Division will be held on May 6-7 at the Holiday Motel, State College. An interesting agenda has been planned for what is hoped to be a semi-annual meeting. In addition to CIA's, Supervisors and I & E personnel, Messrs. Bowers, Lichtenberger and Laird will attend.

DOCUMENTS SECTION

Here's the new group of student officers who are being put through their paces by School Superintendent Don Miller and Asst. Superintendent Charlie Laird. This 12th Class will be kept busy for the next nine months. After graduation they will probably be kept even busier.

SOUTHCENTRAL DIV. DINNER DANCE

A coming attraction in the Southcentral Div. is their annual dinner dance on May 1. The Elks Home at 233 Penn Street, Huntingdon, is the place with the social hour beginning at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 and dancing at 9.

There will be some outstanding door prizes and Supv. Bill Hodge wants it known that invitations are extended to all Commission personnel in the Harrisburg Office and all divisions. They would like reservations by April 24. The price per ticket is $3.00.

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NORTHEAST DIVISION CONFERENCE

There will be a two-day Northeast Division Conference at the Mountain Lake House May 19-20. Guests are welcome and are requested to advise the Dallas Office not later than May 17 if they plan to attend. The Mountain Lake House is located at Marshalls Creek, Pa.

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BOWERS EXTENDS THANKS

My most sincere thanks to all Commission personnel who assisted in any manner in gaining approval for the Middle Creek Waterfowl Project. Your assistance is genuinely appreciated and I trust you share our satisfaction in this accomplishment.

Glenn L. Bowers
Deputy Executive Director

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GAME PROTECTOR - DEPUTY HONORED

Ed Fasching, DGP in Chester County, was presented with a service award from the Honey Brook Lions Club at its annual Father and Son Banquet, March 25. In recognition of 20 year's service to the community, Lion Philip Morton presented a plaque to Ed with words of appreciation for his long service in conservation work.

Deputy Eugene Kuch of Chester County was given a similar award for eight years service.

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? ? ? ? ? ? HAVE YOU HEARD ? ? ? ? ?

THAT for the fourth consecutive year money received from the sale of deer hides by the Commission increased? A total of $7,520.60 was added to the till by the sale of 2,700 hides. The average price per hide was $2.79. This was an increase of $.27¢ per hide. Last year's sales netted $7,276.41.

THAT the 1965 beaver kill of 4,515 was up somewhat from 1964, but did not reach the record figure predicted by some field personnel? The number of beavers tagged does represent an increase over the 1964 figure of 4,296, but was still a surprise considering that ideal trapping conditions prevailed this year.

An impressive total of 2,373 flattails were harvested in the Northeast Division this year. This is more than half of the statewide tally. Wayne County was tops again with a take of 527.

THAT requests for the new bird and mammal charts are coming in fast. Too early to have any figures, but it looks like we have a real winner here. People who have seen them declare that the price of $4.00 for the eight charts is a bargin. No---we're not going to raise it.

THAT since the publication of Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring," there have been some doubts voiced about how far pesticides really travel from the field where they're sprayed.

The Interior Department provided an answer the other day. It reported finding particles of DDT in the livers of penguins and seals in the Antarctic.

Next Question!

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DEPUTY GAME NEWS SALE

During the month of March there were 153 subscriptions sold by deputies. The top 6 men for this month are:

Ted Garda	41E
C. McQuiston	16E
W. N. Swain	13
Harry Cahoone	8
Harry Kistler	8E
Joe Facini	8E

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SICK CALL

Dorothy Logue, wife of retired Supervisor, Arthur G. Logue, Huntingdon, was a patient in the J. C. Blair Memorial Hospital at Huntingdon the latter part of March. She returned home on March 23. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Anna Hertz, wife of DGP Charles Hertz, Indiana County, was admitted to Indiana Hospital, March 24, for a kidney stone. She is now home and doing fine.

Jack Andres, F&C Corps, SW Division, had a knee operation in the Latrobe Hospital, Latrobe, March 21. He will be off work approximately two months.

Fayette County Dep. GP Albert Whaley, under DGP Al Ziros, is reported recovering from a stroke suffered last fall. Deputy Whaley, a long-time officer with better than 30 year's service, is now living with a daugher in Illinois. Friends wishing to send get-well cards can do so by sending them to Mrs. Harry B. Newman, 312 Mary Street, Sundale, Washington, Ill. 61571.

Dep. Kenneth Durstine, RD #1, Dawson, Pa., is back on the job at the Westinghouse plant in Youngwood, Pa., where he is employed as a plant guard. Ken suffered a blood clot in his right foot which caused him loss of ten weeks work.

DGP Lawrence Kuznar, Clearfield Co., injured his right knee in a fall in the woods while looking for an injured deer on March 25.

McKean County Dep. GP Edward J. McLaughlin, Bradford, had a disc removed from his back at the Hamet Hospital in Erie. Ed was hospitalized for almost two weeks and is now recuperating at home. It will be six months before he can return to work.

LM Edwin Flexer entered Jefferson Hospital, 11th & Walnut Sts., Philadelphia, April 7 for surgery and will be confined to the Hospital for several weeks. We are sure he would appreciate receiving cards from his friends while recuperating.

Frances Kirkland, wife of DGP David Kirkland, Wesleyville, was hospitalized at Hamot Hospital in Erie on March 25 with pneumonia.

Dep. DP Dan McGinnia, Emlenton, was hospitalized at the Meadville Hospital, Meadville, for minor surgery on April 6.

Bob Reed, retired Wildlife Information Specialist of Harrisburg, is back in Polyclinic Hospital after being home for six weeks. Bob is in Room 496 for those who wish to send a card.

Mrs. Jesse Miller, wife of Dep. Miller of Hartstown, Crawford Co., who works at the Goose Management Area, was hospitalized recently with an attack of mononucleosis. She is now recuperating at home.

Mrs. Fred Weigelt, wife of DGP Weigelt, Wayne County, recently underwent surgery at the Callicoon New York Hospital. She was discharged March 28.

Roy P. Adams, Acting DGP for Sullivan County, was a recent patient at the Towanda Hospital undergoing tests. "Pete" has returned to duty and says he is feeling fine despite the fact that he is on a strictly milk diet.

DGP Ed Clark, York County, was on sick leave for several weeks with a serious ear infection which required minor surgery. He has returned to work.

DGP John Martin, York County, lost the tip of his one finger while building bird shelters.

Dep. GP Robert Yake, Lebanon Co., has been released from the Lebanon Hospital and is recuperating at his home, 907 S. 12th St., Lebanon, Pa.

James D. Moyle, DGP of Mifflin Co., reports his wife Margaret was admitted to the Lewistown Hospital on April 8 for major surgery. We extend our very heartiest wishes for a rapid recovery.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS ! ! ! ! ! !

A windstorm on the evening of March 17 damaged the home of GP RUSS MEYER of Fairview to the extent of $200. The wind blew off the top of the chimney and the TV antenna and damaged both storm doors.

DGP CAL HOOPER provided an outstanding exhibit on prevention of water pollution at the Lawrence County Sportsmen's Show held in New Castle during March.

Mr. & Mrs. Robert K. Stitt, Sr. of Tarentum, parents of DGP DALE L. STITT, Bedford County, are spending three months in the Hawaiian Islands.

DGP's CLYDE DECKER & LORRAINE YOCUM displayed an excellent exhibit at the Venango County annual Sportsmen's Show in Franklin last month. State Game Lands and farm game projects in the county were shown with information pertaining to the management program.

On February 17, after serving for two terms as trustee of the Chester County Lodge #11, Fraternal Order of Police, E. J. FASCHING, Chester County DGP, was elected to the vice-presidency of the 300 member organization at their monthly meeting. On March 17, at a dinner meeting held at St. Anthony's Lodge, Dowingtown, the new officers of the Lodge for the coming term were installed by the State President, Mr. Raymond Sweeney of Philadelphia. Mr. Sweeney performed the ritual. John J. Quinn, Secretary of the Grand National Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police of Philadelphia was in attendance.

MRS. MARIE MAYS, stenographer at the Franklin Office, is spending two weeks this month visiting relatives in West Palm Beach, Florida. During her absence, MRS. MAXINNE SPANGLER, former head stenographer at Franklin, is back with us.

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COMMISSION TO MEET AT MARSHALLS CREEK

Our eight member Commission will meet at Marshalls Creek on Friday, April 23. The agenda calls for considerable discussion on land acquistion under Project 70 and other land purchases. The meeting will be held at the Mountain Manor.

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STORK NEWS

Mr. & Mrs. Willard T. Johns, Germantown, Maryland, announce the birth of their new daughter, Jennifer Ann. The Johns girl arrived on Sunday, March 21 and weighed in at 6 lbs. 5 oz. Mother Viv is in fine fettle, but father Will is reported to be seriously considering a relaxing vacation on a distant Pacific Island.

Dep. GP-Farm Game Manager Delmer Garee, Grindstone, is again a grandfather. A late announcement has it Vicki Linn was born to proud parents Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Burton. They also reside in Grindstone.

Dep. GP Joseph S. Berish, under GP Al Ziros, Fayette Co., and wife Fran, of Brownsville, recently became parents of a baby girl. In addition to Susan, the Berish's have two other daughters and a son.

Mrs. Marie Mays, stenographer in the Franklin Office, became a grandmother for the first time when her son Jack and his wife Donna had a son born March 29. They have named him Robert William.

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IN MEMORIAM

Joe (Jucko) Smith, 37 Morris St., Clymer, Pa., father of Dep. GP Robert Smith, deputy under DGP Hertz, Cherry Tree, Pa., passed away on Wednesday, March 3.

Mrs. Katherine H. Lambert, mother of Dep. GP Robert Lambert of Rouseville, Venango County, died March 23 in the Oil City Hospital after a short illness.

John Kania, father-in-law of Fayette County DGP A. J. Ziros, passed away on March 28. Funeral services were held in Millsboro, Washington Co., April 1.

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LETTER RECEIVED

Dear Sir:

Our class is studying about "conservation." Could you please tell us what you are doing to prevent this.

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